

Animal Control Advisory Board
Wednesday, November 6, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Drema Ballengee- Grunst, Animal Welfare Representative called the meeting to order at 18:00

2. ROLL CALL

Members present

Drema Ballengee-Grunst, Animal Welfare Representative
David Ryan, Citizen Member
Rita Weaver, Animal Welfare Representative
Melissa Carnes, Citizen Member
Melinda Brown, Animal Welfare Representative
Dr David Langford, Retired Veterinarian
Susan Morris, Environmental Health Division
Dr Pat Richardson, Citizen Member

Member Absent:

Chelsea Franceschini, Animal Welfare Representative
John Windolph, Citizen Member
John Butterfield, Citizen Member
Aubrey Briggs, Animal Welfare Representative

3. PRESENTATION(S)

A. Review & Approve Minutes

I move to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2019 meeting as presented.

Motion by Dr Pat Richardson, second by Dr David Langford.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Drema Ballengee-Grunst, David Ryan, Rita Weaver, Melissa Carnes, Melinda Brown, Dr David Langford, Susan Morris, Dr Pat Richardson

B. Shelter Update

Steve Walker, Emergency Service Director, gave an update presentation on the new Animal Control Shelter. There were several questions asked that Mr. Walker will address. Mr. Walker advised that the Commissioners have selected a vendor to build the shelter. He also advised the Commissioners have approved the funding for an in-depth study on staffing the shelter.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Standing Committee Reports

Subcommittee reports to follow.

B. Legislative / Animal Control Regulations

Chairperson Drema shared that they have had (1) meeting. A discussion of regulations history was held to bring all attendees up to speed. They were able to identify some priority items and will be setting another meeting date soon. No recommendation or actions at this time

C. By-Laws

There has been no necessity to meet. No action or request at this time

D. Public Education

Dr. Langford reported on the meeting that was held on public education. They discussed the role of the subcommittee, potential tasks of the committee including research to identify appropriate materials for animal adopters. Dr. Richardson and Dr. Langford visited the Linda Kelley Animal Shelter.

E. Animal Shelter

Rita Weaver reported that they discussed animal shelter proposals and possible staffing options.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Open Meetings Act

Chairperson Drema gave a report on the open meetings act. She summarized the guidelines that Mr. Weiskopf provided.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Meeting Calendar for 2020

I move to approve the 2020 meeting schedule as presented.

Motion by Dr Pat Richardson, second by Melinda Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Drema Ballengee-Grunst, David Ryan, Rita Weaver, Melissa Carnes, Melinda Brown, Dr David Langford, Susan Morris, Dr Pat Richardson

B. Election of Officers

There was a discussion on holding election of officers at the next meeting in January. Chairperson Drema nominated Dr. Pat Richardson to run for Chair for the year on 2020. Melissa Carnes is willing to run for vice chairperson. Melinda Brown agreed to serve again in 2020 for vote in January.

C. Board Representative Reduction Recommendation

Motion # 1 I move to recommend that board member Chelsea Franceschini be removed from the board based on absences in compliance with the by-laws.

Motion by Dr David Langford, second by Dr Pat Richardson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Drema Ballengee-Grunst, David Ryan, Rita Weaver, Melissa Carnes, Melinda Brown, Dr David Langford, Susan Morris, Dr Pat Richardson

Motion # 2 I move to recommend to the County Commissioners that vacant board positions not be reappointed and that the board be reduced by that number permanently.

Motion by Melinda Brown, second by Melissa Carnes.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Drema Ballengee-Grunst, David Ryan, Rita Weaver, Melissa Carnes, Melinda Brown, Dr David Langford, Susan Morris, Dr Pat Richardson

7. BOARD MEMBERS TIME

Dr. Langford and Dr. Pat Richardson shared with board how impressed they were with the design and first impression of the Linda Kelley Animal Shelter.

Chairperson Drema invited Alley Cat Allies to the next meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

9. ADJOURN

A. Motion to Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting 1844.

Motion by Gerald Gardiner, second by Melinda Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Drema Ballengee-Grunst, David Ryan, Rita Weaver, Melissa Carnes, Melinda Brown, Dr David Langford, Susan Morris, Dr Pat Richardson

Mary Ann Gardiner, Recorder

Minutes approved by the Animal Control Advisory Board on January 30, 2019.